# Operator's Manual

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We have designed and built this machine with utmost care, and it is intended to give you long and satisfactory service.

Any mechanical device can be potentially dangerous if not used properly. No accident prevention program can be successful without the wholehearted co-operation of the person who is directly responsible for the operation of the equipment. Study this operator's manual to learn the operation of the controls and observe all safety precautions. Only use this machine for the purpose it is intended. By following these instructions and safety precautions you should enjoy the long and trouble free operation you expect.

# Snapper Comet Riding Mower

MODELS 265X - 265XS - 268X - 268XS 308X - 308XS

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All Snapper Mowers are guaranteed for normal use to the original purchaser against defective workmanship and material. This guarantee extends for one year from purchase date on mowers not used commercially, and for one month on mowers that are used commercially.

We will replace or repair without charge any part or parts returned to us during the guarantee period, with transportation charges prepaid, that our inspection shows to have been defective in workmanship or moterial when shipped from the factory.

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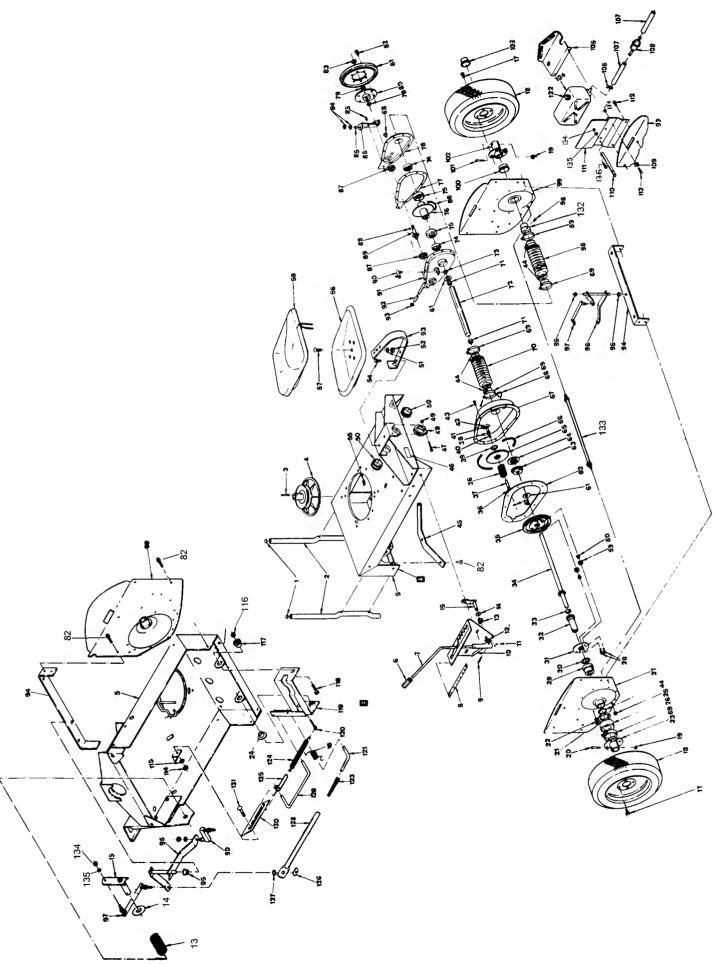
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# Rear Wheels, Transmission and Variable Speed Drive

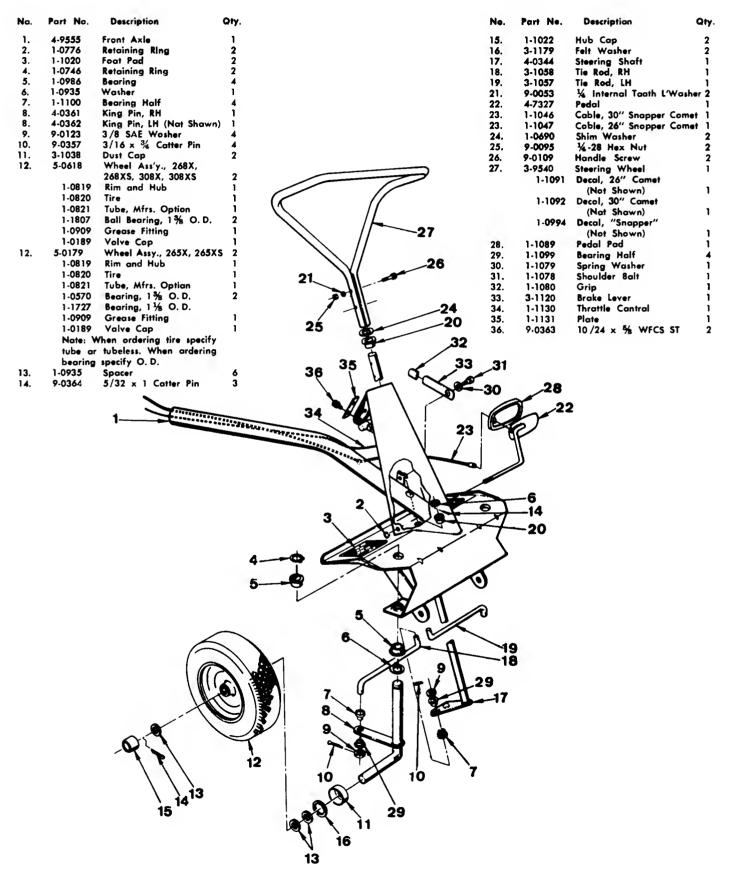
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| Description      | Front Brocket                | Hose Clomp                | Fuel Hase      |                            | Wosher     | Tonk Brace, 265X, 265XS, 268X, 308X | Tank Broce, 268XS, 308XS | Bracket, Bock              | Hex Cop Screw ST.    | 5/16-24 x 5/8 Hex Head Cop Screw | 3/8-16 Hex Nut             | 3/8 Lack Wosher       | 5/16-18 Hex Nut | Yoke Bearing  | 5/16-18 x 1 Self Topping Screw | Yoke Lift        | 3/16 x 3/4 Catter Pin | Rad        | Gos Cap                            | Spring, 8 H.P. Only | Spring | Clutch Clevis | 5/16.24 "T" Nut, 8 H.P. Only | 5/16 internal laoth Lock Wosher      | Tube, 8 H.P. Only | Clutch Kod | Kad Guide    | 3/8-10 X 3/4 Carriage Boll | Tie Dad                | 5/16"-24 HN           | 5/16" SLW | 5/16"-24x1" HHCS     | TEMS NOT SHOWN ON 265XS | Mag. To Ground | Graund Strap       | Battery Cable       | Starter Cable                       | Field Wire                     | S NOT SHOWN ON 268XS, 308XS |         | Mag. 1a Glacia | aldo vetter        | Starter Cable       | Terminal          |           | Z              | Battery                | Switch        | Switch Key     | Battery Cose Str. | 74-20 x 6" Carr. Bair | 74-20 WING INUT    | 1/ 30 3/. Care Rolt             | 4-20 x 4 Carr. Boilt 5/16-18 x % Corr. Bolt | 1/ 20 Hex Nut | 5/16-18 Hex Not | 10/32 Lock Nut |
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| Description Otv. |                              | Cap                       | Bumper         | Key                        | Drive Disc | Main Case                           | Grip                     | Shift Handle               | Decal                | Clevis Pin                       | Shift Detent               | 3/32 × 3/4 Catter Pin | Thrust Washer   | Spring        | Thrust Washer                  | Shift Handle Arm | Spring Apring         | tug bair   | Wheel and life Ass 7:, 2007, 2000, | 2004, 20043         | Tite   |               | Valve Cap                    | Wheel and Tire Ass'y., 308X, 308XS 2 | Rim               | Tire       | Valve Stem   | Valve Cap                  | 5/16-24 Lack Nut GR5 2 | Wheel Balt, R.H.      | Oil Seal  | 5/16 Flange Lack Nut | Right Hand Wheel Hub    | Thrust Washer  | 2/ 10-24 Lack Nut  | Sedi Cop, K.n.      | 5/16-24 x 1-5/8 HH Lack Cop Screw 4 | (Use ane time anly. Replace if | disossembled)               | Bearing | Thrust Washer  | Differential Plote | Shart Axle Assembly | Spocer            | Long Axle | 63T, 10P Gear  | 5/16 Belleville Wosher | Spacer        | Gear, 111, 10P | Retoining Ring    | Idler Balt            | 5/16 "O" Ring      | 5/16 Internal Toath Lack Washer | _   | Seal Ring     | Hitch Plate     | Nome Plate     |
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# Spindle, Cutter Unit and Lift, 26", 30" Snapper Comet

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| 1.                  | 9-0302                             | 1/4-20 x 3/8 Self Toppi                | ng 4   | 32.          | 1-8069                     | Cutter Bar, 30" Camet        | 1         | 40.         | 4-7318                   | Frant Lift Arm         | 1       |
| 2.                  | 1-8040                             | Spindle Caver, 26" Cam                 |  | 32.          | 1-8068                     | Cutter 8ar, 26" Camet        | i         | 41.         | 4-7324                   | Rail Str., 30" Camet   | i       |
| 2.                  | 3-7296                             | Spindle Cover, 30" Com                 | et 1   | 33.          | 9-0392                     | $1/2-20 \times 1$ HHCS HT.   | 2         | 41.         | 4-7317                   | Rail Str., 26" Camet   | i       |
| 3.                  | 1-0027                             | Jom Nut                                | 1  | 34.          | 9-0278                     | 5/8 Jom Nut                  | 1         | 42.         | 4-7254                   | ldler Handle           | 1       |
| 4.                  | 1-0935                             | Washer                                 | 14<br>1  | 3 <b>5</b> . | 4-7323                     | Deck, 30" Comet              | 1         | 43.         | 1-0681                   | Grip                   | 1       |
| 5.<br>6.            | 1-0 <b>7</b> 87<br>3- <b>08</b> 17 | Spindle Pulley<br>8rake Drum           | i  | 35.<br>36.   | 4-732 <b>5</b>             | Deck, 26" Camet              | 1         | 44.         | 1-0737                   | Rall Pin               | 2       |
| 7.                  | 5-0280                             | Brake Shae Ass'y.                      | i  | 30.<br>37.   | 1-0739<br>9-0041           | Retaining Ring<br>Cotter Pin | 3<br>1    | 45.<br>46.  | 1-0741<br>2-0880         | Talerance Ring         | 1       |
| 8.                  | 9-0161                             | 3/8-24 x 1-3/4 HHCS                    | i  | 38.          | 2-0882                     | Support Rod                  | i         | 40.<br>47.  | 1-0750                   | Idler Link<br>Spring   | 1       |
| 9.                  | 1-1029                             | Idler Pulley 3/8 Bore                  | 1  | 39.          | 9-0365                     | Catter Pin                   | 2         | 48.         | 3-0813                   | ldler Arm              | i       |
| 10.                 | 9-0122                             | 3/8 Washer                             | 9  |              |                            |                              | _         | 49.         | 2-7184                   | Spindle                | i       |
| 11.                 | 3-0982                             | Restrictor                             | 1  |              |                            |                              |           | 50.         | 1-1051                   | Retaining Ring         | 2       |
| 12.                 | 9-0289                             | 3/8-24 L'Nut                           | 10   |              |                            |                              |           | 51.         | 1-0749                   | Belt                   | 1       |
| 13.<br>14.          | 1-0740<br>1-0736                   | Retaining Ring<br>Clevis Pin           | 2<br>1   |              | <b></b>                    |                              |           | <b>52</b> . | 3-7334                   | Deflector              | 1       |
| 15.                 | 1-0735                             | Clevis                                 | i  | 1            | <u> </u>                   |                              | ्र        | 53.<br>54.  | 3-1183<br>3-1184         | Washer<br>8lade Halder | 1       |
| 16.                 | 2-1157                             | Timing Rad, 30" Comet                  | i  | 2            |                            |                              | <u> </u>  | 55.         | 6-0173                   | Height Plate and Decal | I Kia 1 |
| 16.                 | 2-1135                             | Timing Rod, 26" Comet                  | 1  |              |                            |                              |           | 56.         | 1-1758                   | Decal                  | 1       |
| 17.                 | 1-0996                             | Ring, 26" Comet                        | 3  | 3            |                            |                              |           | <b>5</b> 7. | 9-0053                   | 1/4 Int. Tooth L'Washe | er 3    |
| 17.                 | 1-0996                             | Ring, 30" Comet                        | 4  | 4            |                            | - <del></del> -              |           | 58.         | 9-0101                   | 1/4-28 x 3/4 HHCS      | 3       |
| 18.                 | 1-0684                             | Grip                                   | 1  | •            |                            |                              |           | 59.         | 9-0095                   | 1/4-28 Hex Nut         | 3       |
| 19.<br>19.          | 4-0385<br>4-0386                   | Chain Arm, R. H.<br>Chain Arm, L. H.   | 1  | 5            | (                          | <b>3</b> 5                   | 1         | 60.         | 1-1763                   | Fender Washer          | 1       |
| 17.                 | 4-0366                             | (Not Shown)                            | i  |              | •                          |                              |           | 61.<br>62.  | 1-081 <i>9</i><br>1-1812 | Washer<br>"O" Ring     | 1<br>2  |
| 20.                 | 9-0183                             | 5/8 Washer                             | 2  | 6            |                            |                              |           | 02.         | 1-1012                   | O king                 | 2       |
| 21.                 | 9-0364                             | 5/32 x 1 Cotter Pin                    | 1  | 7-           |                            |                              |           |             |                          |                        |         |
| 22.                 | 4-7295                             | Lift Handle                            | 1  | _            | -                          |                              |           |             |                          |                        |         |
| 23.                 | 4-7319                             | Rear Lift Arm                          | 1  | 8            | <del></del>                | 13                           |           |             |                          |                        |         |
| 24.                 | 9-0055                             | 1/4 SAE Wosher                         | 3  | 10           | Ä                          |                              |           |             |                          |                        |         |
| 25.                 | 1-1074<br>1-1010                   | Spring, 30" Comet<br>Spring, 26" Comet | 1  | 9            |                            | 9)                           |           |             |                          |                        |         |
| 2 <b>5</b> .<br>26. | 9-0292                             | 3/8-24 x 3/4 HHCS                      | 9  | 3            |                            |                              |           | 4           | 3                        |                        |         |
| 10.                 | 5-0195                             | Spindle Assembly                       |  | 10           |                            | 30                           |           |             | 7                        |                        |         |
| 27.                 | 4-0273                             | Hausing                                | 1  |              |                            | 49                           |           |             | 7                        |                        |         |
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| 29.                 | 1-0817                             | Alemite Fitting                        | 1 .  | 10           |                            | 13                           |           |             | 36                       |                        |         |
| 30.<br>31.          | 3-1182<br>9-0393                   | Spacer<br>1/2-20 Hex Hd. Lack Nu       | Z  | iž——         |                            | 48                           | 47        |             | 4 1                      |                        |         |
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## Front Wheels, Front End and Steering



# Assembly, Operation, Service Manual and Parts List SNAPPER COMET 26" & 30"

### 1. ASSEMBLY:

- A. Remave top and sides from crate.
- B. Install steering wheel using two (2) 1/4 x 1½ bolts.
- C. Cut shipping straps and remove mower fram crate bottom.
- D. On some models it is necessory to reconnect steering link which has been disossembled due to croting size limitations.
- E. FILL ENGINE WITH FUEL AND OIL.

### 2. GENERAL OPERATION:

### A. START ENGINE:

- Moke certain shift handle is in neutral and cutter unit out before attempting to start.
- Refer to engine manual for throttle control instructions for the type used.
- If engine is also equipped with electric starter, refer to engine manual far starting procedure. The starter switch is located to the rear of the battery.

### B. FORWARD MOTION:

- Disengage clutch and apply broke by depressing pedal to the end of its travel. NOTE: Excessive pedal pressure detrimental to easy shifting.
- Mave shift lever, lacated on right hand side of seat, to the law speed position (No. 1) and slawly release clutch and brake pedal.
- Speeds may naw be increased or decreased without the use of the clutch pedal.
- Never stort by moving shift hondle without use of the clutch pedal as the driven disc life will be shortened.
- 5. Always begin forward motion in No. 1 speed position.

### C. REVERSE MOTION:

Fallaw same procedure as "B" above, hawever, there is anly one speed in reverse and shift handle must be held in reverse position at the end of the slot.

### D. STOPS:

- The mower may be stopped in either farward or reverse motion by depressing clutch and brake pedal.
- 2. Always return shift handle to neutral after a stop is made.
- 3. As a safety precautian, if stops have to be made going up steep inclines, back down to level ground to re-start.

### E. CUTTER UNIT:

- Cutting height is adjusted by simply changing the position of the lift handle. There are different positions ranging between 1 and 4 inches.
- 2. Cutter engagement is accomplished by slowly pulling the cutter handle ta the rear until the spring loaded idler takes aver. The spindle brake is automatically released or applied as this handle is shifted fram the "in" ar "aut" positian. Cutter engagement or release may be accomplished ot any cutting height with the mower moving or ot rest.

### 3. ADJUSTMENTS:

### A. CLUTCH:

The clutch linkage has been designed so that with inital factary adjustment, the driven disc wear is accommodated throughout its useful life. Replace disc when worn to 1/32-1/16 inch rubber thickness. Da not tamper with linkage if mower does not pull at this point. Replace driven disc.

In the event someone tampers with the factory adjustment, the linkage can be checked as follows:

- Remove driven disc and install adjusting gauge, which can be made from a driven disc with the "as new" radius of 3 inches on half the circumference and a 2<sup>3</sup>/<sub>4</sub> inch radius ground on the other half.
- 2. Depress clutch pedal and shift to second speed.
- 3. Adjust clutch rod guide until the  $2\,\%$  inch radius clears driving disc .005/.010 inch.
- 4. Ratate gouge 180 deg. ond fully depress clutch pedal until brakes are applied. Check to see that the 3 inch radius clears driven disc by 1/32 inch minimum with sliding chain case pushed lightly against yoke lift. This assures that driven disc will be pulled down from driving disc when clutch is disengaged.

### B. CLUTCH AND BRAKE PEDAL:

Control cable should have slight amount of slock with clutch and broke pedal released and with shift handle in neutral. This can be checked by seeing that the clutch rod slides to the rear end of slot in the clutch rod guide. Adjust by shifting cable stops as required through keyhole in brake pedal.

### C. PARKING BRAKE:

To opply — press broke and clutch pedal down firmly, push porking broke handle down clamping broke coble. Ta release raise

### D. CUTTER DRIVE BELT:

The spring loaded idler maintains proper belt tension throughout the effective belt life.

Adjust moin tube when idler pulley couses the belt to rub together behind the spindle pulley. Main tube adjustment is accomplished os follows:

- Loosen clamp under seat spring and pull main tube forward until inside surface of cutter drive belt has approximately 1" running clearance measured at the idler pulley with cutter unit engaged.
- Check to see if control cable has a slight amount af slack with clutch and brake pedol releosed and with shift handle in neutral discussed in "D" obove.

Belt replacement is accomplished as follows:

- 1. Remove spindle guard cover and remave belt from pulley.
- 2. Stand mawer on end (refer to "Storage") with shift handle in neutral.
- 3. Pull belt from behind drive disc. Reach behind slide and pull clutch rod for maximum disc clearance. Roll belt between drive and driven discs. Pull belt between driven disc and belt guide and remove from transmissian cose.
- 4. Reverse procedure to install new belt.

### E. CUTTER SPINDLE REMOVAL:

If it is necessary to remove and re-assemble spindle housing, the housing must be plumbed to the cutter deck to obtain an equal distance between the blade tip and deck. This is accomplished by locating the housing flange correctly to the deck, using the clearance holes for the capscrews for alignment. Tighten securely using self-locking nuts.

### F. DECK ADJUSTMENT:

The cutter blade has been factory adjusted for 1 inch minimum cutting height. After a periad of time, wear in the linkage may require re-adjustment. Carrect pracedure is as fallows — taking all measurements to the same blade tip:

- 1. Park mower an level and even floor or surface.
- 2. Mave lift handle to lawest position to remove spindle caver.
- Adjust blade tip cutting edge ta 1 % inch at rear by bending the swinging chain arms of the rear suspension up ar dawn as required, maintaining a level blade side ta side as this is adjusted.
- 4. Swing blade tip ta front and adjust to 1 inch by adjusting timing link that cannects the frant and rear lift arms. Shortening this link ½ turn of the rod end raises front end approximately 1/8 inch.
- 5. Turn blade ta point ta the front and rear of machine. The 26" and 30" blade should be at least  $\frac{1}{2}$ " higher at rear than the front.

### G. TIRES:

- 1. Inflate frant tires ta 20 lbs.
- 2. Inflate rear tires to 25 lbs.

### 4. BATTERY INSTALLATION (FOR ELECTRIC STARTER ONLY):

- A. Service battery according to instructions supplied with the battery.
- B. Remays battery clamping bracket and install battery under left hand side af seat.
- C. Attach battery lead to battery. Check engine manual far positive or negative ground.
- D. Refer to engine manual far aperating instructions of the battery charging system used.

### 5. STORAGE:

The mawer may be set an end far servicing ar starage within the fallowing limitations.

- A. For electric starter units, remove battery to prevent acid leakage and subsequent damage.
- B. Gas tank must be practically empty to eliminate fire hazard.
- C. Far winter starage, always drain ail and gasaline. Refer to engine manual far proper procedure to fallow. Oil or grease any parts of the mower subject to rust or corrasion.

### 6. OPTIONAL EQUIPMENT:

Ta increase the usefulness of your Snapper Comet Mower, the fallowing kits may be obtained as Optianal Equipment:

| 6-0049 | Tire Chains, 16 x 4.80 — 8 Tires |
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| 6-0119 | Tire Chains, 16 x 6.50 — 8 Tire  |
| 6-0111 | Leaf Mulcher, 26"                |

6-0118 Leaf Mulcher, 30" 6-0185 Snaw Plaw Kit 6-0110 Deluxe Seat

6-0183 Grass Catcher Kit 6-0169 Steering Wheel Kit

6-0170 Wheel Brake Kit

### SAFETY PRECAUTIONS

Remember, a careful operator always is the best insurance against an accident.

Study your operator's manual—become familiar with the controls and how the mower operates. Learn to stop the mower quickly.

Never attempt to start engine unless shift handle is in neutral and idler handle in the out position.

For forward motion, always begin movement with shift handle in No. 1 speed position.

Before starting clear area of debris.

Operate the engine at the slowest speed that will cut satisfactorily.

Stop and check for breakage and repair any damage after striking foreign objects.

Mount mower from left hand side, opposite the discharge chute.

Keep hands and feet clear of the cutter unit at all times.

Do not operate mower with guards removed. Disengage cutter and stop engine before dismounting.

Do not crank or operate engine where exhaust fumes can collect.

Never allow children to operate the Snapper Comet.

Instruct individuals to stay away from the mower while it is in operation.

Do not let others ride with you on the mower.

Give complete and undivided attention to the job at hand.

When mowing, never discharge clippings toward windows and doorways.

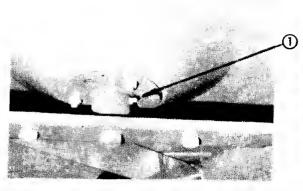
Mow only in daylight or in good artificial light.

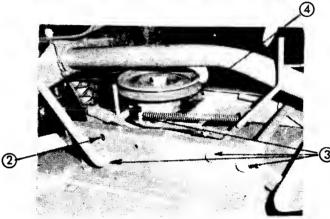
Be extra careful when working on hillsides or rough ground. Watch out for holes or ditches into which a wheel may drop and cause the mower to overturn.

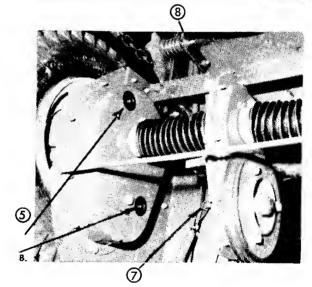
If it is necessary to stop when going up steep inclines, back down to level ground to re-start.

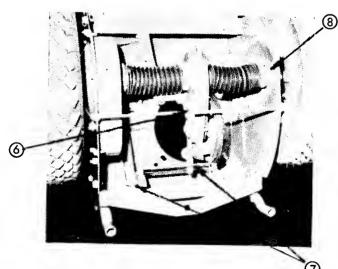
When going down inclines, keep in low speed with clutch and brake pedal out to allow engine to control speed.

Fill gas tank outdoors, but never while engine is running or while engine is hot. Avoid spilling. Always use an approved gasoline can.

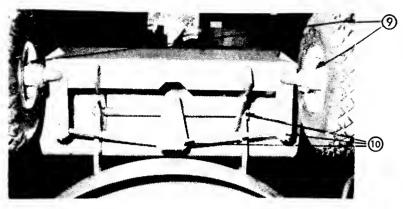








**MANUAL #06052** 



# LUBRICATION INSTRUCTIONS

FOR SNAPPER COMET 26" & 30"

- Spindle is ossembled with seoled precision boll beorings and requires infrequent lubrication. Lubricate once each season, ane shot using pressure gun. Use Snopper 00 grease. Avoid over-filling under pressure. This will domoge bearing seals.
- Height odjusting coms: remove spindle guard cover ond lubricote coms with medium cup greose every 10 hours of aperotian or mare often if dirty service conditions require.
- While cover is off, lubricate other movable joints, linkoges, etc., with SAE 20 oil.
- 4. Lubricote idler orm using Snopper 00 greose every 10 hours of operation.
- Differential and reduction georing, right hand wheel bearing, and hex drive shaft are lubricated by removing plastic plugs an side of case. Fill with 14 azs. of Snopper 00 grease through top hole, or until grease reaches bottom of hole B.
  - NOTE: Da not averfill. Check every 10 haurs af operation. Check greose capacity with mochine in standing position.
- 6. The components in the sliding choin cose ore foctory lubricoted with  $1\frac{1}{2}$  to 2 ounces of greose. Check every 10 haurs af operation. Remove plastic inspection plug and with the oid of a floshlight, check far signs of greose on the chain and sprocket. If no greose is visible, add  $1\frac{1}{2}$  aunces af Snopper 00 grease. Da nat overfill.
- Lubricate oll other mavoble joints, linkages, etc., every 10 haurs af operation or mare often if dirty service conditions require, using SAE No. 20 oil.
- Lubricote right hand wheel bearing and shift lever every 10 hours of operation using Snopper 00 grease in a pressure gun. One shot is sufficient.
- Lubricote front wheel beorings with Snapper 00 greose in pressure gun every 10 hours of aperotion.
- Lubricate oll other movable joints, linkages, etc., every 10 hours af operation or more often if dirty service conditions require, using SAE 20 oil.
- 11. ENGINE: Service and lubricate engine per instructions in engine manual.

NOTE: Snopper 00 greose is available from your Snapper deoler.
Our Port No. 1-1050.
(This is a special compounded grease far this application)